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This a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

| 1.   | Submission requiumder 37 C.F.R. §  | RCE will be entered in to does not wish to have a entry of such amendme                                     |                         | ere filed unles<br>ered amendm | ss applicant instructs of<br>nent(s) entered, applica | therwise. If applicant int must request non- |  |  |  |
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|  | a. Previously submitted. If a final Office Action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office Action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.  |   |                         |                                |   |  |  |  |  |
|  | i. Consi   | ider the amendment(s)/reply un<br>nentered amendment(s) referred to about<br>ider the arguments in the Appe | ve will be entered).    |                                | , ,   | y enclosed).                                 |  |  |  |
|  | iii. 🔲 Other -   |   |                         |                                |   |  |  |  |  |
|  | b. 🔀 Enclosed:   |   |                         |                                |   |  |  |  |  |
|  | i. Response to Accompany Request for Continued Examination (RCE)   |   |                         |                                |   |  |  |  |  |
|  | ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)  |   |                         |                                |   |  |  |  |  |
|  | iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) w/PTO 1449 Form and cited references.  |   |                         |                                |   |  |  |  |  |
| ٠.,  | iv. Other: Petition for Three-Month Extension of time.   |   |                         |                                |   |  |  |  |  |
| 2.   | 2. Miscellaneous   |   |                         |                                |   |  |  |  |  |
|  | a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)  b. Other |   |                         |                                |   |  |  |  |  |
| 3.   | Fees   | The RCE fee under   | C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is req | uired by 37                    | C.F.R. § 1.114 wher                                   | n the RCE is filed.                          |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>The RCE fee under C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.</li> <li>a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that are assessable in this application, or to credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 25452-015, Customer No.: 35437.</li> <li>i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)</li> <li>ii. DS fee (37 C.F.R. §1.17(p)).</li> <li>b. Check in the amount of \$405.00 is enclosed for RCE fee.</li> </ul> |  |   |                         |                                |   |  |  |  |  |
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